

**NOTICE OF RULE ADOPTION—FINAL RULE**

**STATE OF MISSISSIPPI  
MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH  
Legal Division**

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Specific Legal Authority Authorizing the promulgation of  
Rule: MCA 41-7-79

Reference to Rules repealed, amended or suspended by the  
Proposed Rule: D-0019

Date Rule Proposed: 10/19/06

**Explanation of the Purpose of the Proposed Rule and the reason(s) for proposing the rule:** The Board of Mental Health shall, on the recommendation of the Executive Director, annually adopt rates in compliance with statutory requirements for services rendered by the facilities of the Department of Mental Health and a sliding fee scale based upon a person's ability to pay for services that ensures that no person is denied services for inability to pay, while also ensuring that those persons who can pay for services pay an amount commensurate with their ability to pay.

**The Agency Rule Making Record for this rule including any written comments received during the comment period and the record of any oral proceeding is available for public inspection by contacting the Agency at the above address.**

☐ An oral proceeding was held on this rule:

Date: {Insert Date}  
Time: {Insert Time}  
Place: {Insert Place}

☒ An oral proceeding was not held on this rule.

**The Agency has considered the written comments and the presentations made in any oral proceedings, and**

☒ This rule as adopted is without variance from the proposed rule.

☐ This rule as adopted differs from the proposed rule as there are minor editorial changes which affect the form rather than the substance of the rule.

☐ The rule as adopted differs from the proposed rule. The differences however are:  
Within the scope of the matters in the Notice of Proposed Rule Adoption, the logical outgrowth of the contents of the Notice of Proposed Rule Adoption and the comments submitted in response thereto, and  
The Notice of Proposed Rule Adoption provided fair warning that the outcome of the proposed rule adoption could be the rule in question.

The entire text of the Proposed Rule including the text of any rule being amended or changed is attached.

Effective Date of Rule: 11/13/06

  
Signature and Title of Person Submitting Rule for Filing